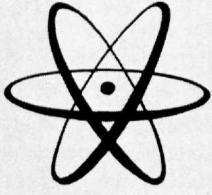


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## Dedication Ceremonies And Open House Held For Sprague Research Center

### Research Center Hailed as Progressive Step for Both Company and Community

Over 250 guests attended dedication ceremonies of the Sprague Research Center on October 11. Robert C. Sprague, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, presided over the ceremonies at which Dr. James R. Killian, Jr., Chairman of the Corporation of Massachusetts

Institute of Technology, was to have been the principal speaker. Due to sudden illness, Dr. Killian was unable to attend and Mr. Frederick R. Lack, Senior Vice President, Research, summarized his address as follows:

"Dr. Killian was to discuss with you this morning some of the many thorny problems arising from our vast national research and development effort and the difficulties we face in managing it wisely..."

"He points out that we are a research-oriented society, a condition that has arrived so fast that quite understandably we have growing pains..."

"He then warns that there is a real danger that federal research will price private research out of existence, that the ease of getting government contracts and the exceptionally high salaries frequently characteristic of these contracts may tempt private companies to reduce substantially, programs financed by themselves."

"He then points out with such a large diversion of our technical manpower and resources to research for defense that in the area of civilian commercial research we are in danger of being surpassed by countries not having a large defensive effort such as Germany, Japan or Britain..."

"This Center we dedicate today symbolizes and epitomizes this flow of creative force. It reflects the spirit of a Company, suffused with a tropism to create, affording all its personnel a sense of the delights and fulfillments of seeking, of discovery, and of adventure. One of the great inventions of our industrial democracy has been this type of corporate institution, soundly instrumented for profit, competitively strong and animated throughout by the spirit of

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Shown during dedication ceremonies are: (left to right) Dr. Virgil V. Brallier, Mayor Francis C. Florini, Congressman Silvio O. Conte, Robert C. Sprague, Frederick R. Lack, and the Right Reverend Monsignor John P. Donohue.

### Over 3,000 Employees And Community Friends Tour New Facility During Open House Held On October 13

Throngs of Sprague employees, their families and interested community friends filled the new Research Center on Saturday, October 13. The first guests were waiting when the doors opened at 9 A.M. and the crowd continued until closing time at 2 P.M.

Mr. Robert C. Sprague, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, and other officers, greeted the guests as they entered the foyer. Mr. Sprague expressed extreme pleasure at the interest shown in the new building. The many family groups inspecting the facilities were especially gratifying. One Sprague engineer remarked about the keen interest which the children displayed in the various exhibits and demonstrations throughout the laboratory. They

looked and listened, and it is hoped, considered the possibility of a career in the field of science.

A prearranged tour route had been indicated by arrows to channel the flow of visitors in an orderly manner and to allow them to see each area. Employees were on hand to explain various pieces of equipment and demonstrate their use.

The library was the first stop on the tour. Here guests saw the attractive study area provided for all Sprague employees. Quite complete collections of scientific journals in physics and chemistry are available as well as most of those in electricity.

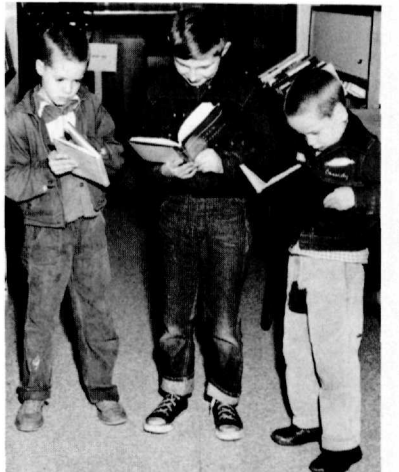
Next on the tour was the Physics Laboratory on the second floor. Here theoretical work is done in connection with the development and improvement of materials used in transistors and capacitors. The laboratory contains a large number of instruments to measure the phenomena associated with this work. From the Physics Laboratory the tour proceeded to the Drafting Room and a display of masks used in producing microcircuits, and on to the area where high vacuum work is performed. Guests were shown a helium leak detector in operation. Helium gas sprayed over the outside of a device will instantly detect and analyze a leak although the rate of leak is so small that it would take 5,000 years for the leak to pass 1 cubic inch of air.

The next stop, the Glass Blowing Shop, proved fascinating for young and old alike. As a demonstration our expert glassblower was making small glass bottles with a penny inside. Needless to say, he had difficulty keeping up with the re-

quests for these 'souvenirs'. His actual work includes making intricate and difficult experimental glass equipment capable of withstanding extreme temperature changes. In this same area our watchmaker was performing the finest kind of mechanical work.

In the next area visited welding of gold wire was being performed. Visitors saw demonstrations of semi-conductors and microminiature circuits. Work is done here with films as thin as 25 Angstroms or 98 billionths of an inch. The next laboratory housed solid state chemistry of thin film oxides, and in the following laboratory work was being done on solid electrolyte batteries which are very small and have a very long life.

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Three young future employees found the library a fascinating spot during their tour of the Research Center. There is a possibility that the reading matter was a bit beyond their comprehension.

### Buffet Dinner At 1896 House Opens Dedication Program

The Company played host to the many guests attending the Dedication of the Research Center at a buffet dinner held at the 1896 House in Williamstown on October 10, the evening prior to the Dedication program.

Guests, both from the area and out-of-town, were escorted by a member of Sprague management who acted as host both at the dinner and the dedication ceremonies. The informal get-together allowed the various guests to meet members of the Sprague Electric staff and guests from other parts of the country. Name tags were worn to facilitate an informal social meeting and many guests remarked about the friendly atmosphere which prevailed throughout the evening.

The complete facilities of the 1896 House were reserved to accommodate the large crowd. Music during the dinner hour, and for dancing later in the evening, was provided by the well-known Lester Lanin Orchestra of New York.

Advance reservations had been made by the Company for the out-of-town guests and filled many of the area's motels.

### For The Ladies!

During the Dedication program special activities were provided for the wives of the guests. Mrs. Robert C. Sprague served as hostess for the affair. Beginning with breakfast at the Williams Inn, the ladies then boarded buses which took them to the Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute. Here they were given a guided tour of the famous art museum and its many valuable art treasures.

Following lunch at the Williams Inn a fashion show was presented. Attractive daytime and evening clothes and shoes were shown through the courtesy of Vogue and Vanity of Colonial Shopping Center and M. Salvatore and Sons of Spring Street, Williamstown.

Each of the ladies attending the fashion show received a small gift from the Company.



Robert C. Sprague, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, greeted Mrs. Kenneth Meyer as she and the family came to inspect the Research Center. Mr. Meyer is an Engineer in the Engineering Laboratories. The children are: Kenneth, Jr., 8, Jill, 7, and Nancy 2. Kenneth S. Brown, Industrial Relations Manager, Eastern Locations, is shown in the background.

## Anthony Sacco, Safety Supervisor, Issues Report on Safety Activities For 1961-62

Because of the interest of Sprague Electric in the safety of its employees, the accident rate is considerably lower on the job than outside the plant. This is borne out by the report recently issued by Corporate Safety Supervisor Anthony Sacco on the safety activities of the Company between July 1, 1961 and June 30, 1962. A total of over 7,020,000 manhours were worked during this period with only ten lost-time accidents. This record is 70% better than the Massachusetts average and one which every employee can look to with pride.

Of the seven areas covered in the report, two worked the complete year without incurring a lost-time accident. The Special Products Division

under David B. Peck, Vice President, worked 571,890 manhours without a lost-time injury, as did the Ceramic Department with a total of 155,221 manhours worked.

Enviably records of only one lost-time accident were accumulated by Robert S. Teeple's departments with 2,262,333 manhours worked, by the Engineering and Research Laboratories with a total of 493,741 manhours, and by all of the offices with 1,662,999 manhours.

The 1961-62 figures reflect an improvement over the 1960-61 figures. In the latter period there were 6,319,885 manhours worked and eleven lost-time accidents.

It was also announced that the Company has recently begun installing seat belts in its trucks and cars. The National Safety Council points out that seat belts in every car, used at all times by driver and passengers, could save at least 5,000 lives a year and reduce serious auto injuries by one third. This program is part of the Company's continuing effort to provide for the safety of its employees at all times.

Such programs, coupled with each employee's acquired habit to practice safety on the job is responsible for the safety record of over 7 million manhours worked with such a small number of lost-time accidents.

## Marriott At Plymouth As General Foreman



The transfer of Robert J. Marriott to the Plymouth, New Hampshire Plant as General Foreman was announced in late September by

Robert L. Parrish, General Manager, Concord and Plymouth Plants. In this capacity he will report to Martin J. Daigeneault, Factory Manager, Plymouth Plant.

A native of Plainfield, Connecticut, Mr. Marriott attended Plainfield and Adams, Massachusetts high schools. He attended Air Force pilot training schools and was a Flight Commander with the 9th Air Force in Europe during World War II.

He joined Sprague Electric in August 1952 as a formation machine operator and later became a production scheduler-expediter and a supervisor. In 1955 he was named Foreman of Shift Registers at Beaver Street and in early 1958 when the Special Products Division was organized at Union Street he transferred there as a Foreman.

Mr. Marriott is a member of the Air Force Association. He is married to the former Freda Dumouchel of North Adams and they have three daughters.

## LOG Receives Award In Score Contest For March Annual Report

The Sprague LOG was the recipient of a high rating in the Ninth Employe Annual Report Contest sponsored by The Score. Published by Newcomb and Sammons of Chicago, The Score reports to management on developments and trends in employer-employee communications. The contest judges the quality and effectiveness of company publications making annual reports to employees.

The award placed the LOG in 46th position in the broad field of companies who report their financial status to employees, and is given "for the planning, preparation and production of a distinguished financial report for employees during the year ending July 1, 1962".

The judging panel included: Carl C. Harrington, senior editor of 'Mill & Factory', New York City, who served as panel chairman; Dean Earl F. English, School of Journalism, University of Missouri, Columbia; Joseph LaViolette of LaViolette Studios, Chicago; and Gordon Strachan, director of public relations, Illinois Manufacturers Association, also of Chicago.

## Leon Podolsky Serves As U. S. Delegate To NATO Paris Meeting



Leon Podolsky, Technical Assistant to the President, served as a United States delegate to the meeting of the NATO Electronics Committee held at NATO Headquarters in Paris early in October. Representatives of the U. S. Army Signal Corps and the Naval Electronics Laboratory accompanied Mr. Podolsky.

Following the NATO meeting, Mr. Podolsky headed a twenty-three man delegation from the United States to the meetings of the International Electrotechnical Commission held in Nice, France from October 14 to 27.

The International Electrotechnical Commission is an arm of the International Standards Organization of the United Nations, although it pre-

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## New Microelectronics Dept. Under Cushman

Mr. Norton Cushman will set up and direct the new Microelectronics Engineering Department of the Company's Engineering Laboratories, it was announced early in October by Dr. Wilbur A. Lazier, Senior Vice President, Engineering, and Dr. John L. Sprague, Senior Vice President and Co-Director of Engineering. The immediate task of this department will be to develop the necessary capability for fabrication of silicon-based microcircuits. It will have facilities in the present Marshall Street Engineering Laboratories and in the new Sprague Research Center.

Mr. Cushman most recently was Manager of the Bennington Plant, having returned from Belgium in July. There he established and operated Sprague-Electromag in Renaix, Belgium.

He is a native of Bennington, Vermont and attended grammar school there and Governor Dummer Academy, South Byfield, Massachusetts. He received a bachelor of arts and a master of arts degree in physics from Williams College. Prior to joining the Company he was employed by Raybestos-Manhattan,

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## C. L. Harvey Joins Sales Engineering



Cecil L. Harvey has joined the Sales Engineering Staff of the Sprague Electric Company, it was announced by Neal W. Welch, Senior Vice President, Marketing and Sales. Mr. Harvey will serve as an assistant to Gerard V. Tremblay, Coordinator for Computer Component Sales, Mr. Welch said.

Mr. Harvey comes to Sprague Electric from the Elliott Company of Ridgway, Pennsylvania, where he was Manager of Application Engineering for the past 11 years.

A graduate of the University of Maryland with a degree of bachelor of science in electrical engineering, Mr. Harvey is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He is also a member of the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry. During World War II, Mr. Harvey served with the U. S. Army as a captain in the field

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## Credit Union Lowers Loan Requirements

The Sprague Electric Credit Union recently announced new loan terms. The most significant change involved lowering the required seniority to 5 years, instead of the previous 10 years, on personal loans of \$500 with no co-makers. The maximum personal loan was also increased to \$1500 with 2 co-makers and over 5 years of seniority.

All loans are fully insured at no extra cost and are available to a maximum of 30 months. Each loan application is considered by the committee on an individual basis. Any Sprague employee who is a member of the Credit Union and has more than six months seniority may apply for a loan. Loan rates are considerably lower than at other loan agencies, and employees are urged to take advantage of this service when the need arises.

The semi-annual meeting of the Credit Union will be held on November 20 in the Building 9 Conference Room at 5:15 P.M. and all interested members are invited to attend. Two proposals will be considered at this time. They are:

1. Proposal for amending Article VII, Section 4 (e), which reads "To fix the rate of semi-annual dividend, if any, to be paid on shares for the period ending April 30"; to read as follows: "to fix the rate of semi-annual dividend, if any, to be paid on shares for the six month period ending April 30 and October 31."

2. Proposal for amending Article XI, Section 4 (c) which reads "Upon the recommendation of the board of directors, the rate of dividend, if any, to be paid on shares for the six months ending October 31"; to read as follows: "This section is hereby repealed."

## Harry Modica Named Superintendent For Barre, Vermont Plant



The promotion of Harry Modica to Superintendent of the Rock of Ages Capacitors, Inc. Plant of Barre, Vermont, was announced in mid-September by Gerald Pryor, Plant Manager. Mr. Modica assumes the duties of Leopold Laliberte who was transferred to North Adams.

Mr. Modica joined Rock of Ages Capacitors in November 1948 as a Foreman and recently has been Assistant to the Superintendent. He is a native of Barre, and graduated from Spaulding High School there. He is married to the former Pearl Raymond and they have two daughters.

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## Stockholder's Report Cited For Excellence

The Company's 1961 Annual Report to Stockholders received a third place award in the Electronics Industry classification in the Twenty-second Annual Report Survey sponsored by "Financial World". The announcement was received by Bruce R. Carlson, Vice President, Corporate Planning and Systems. The presentation of an attractive certificate, symbolic of the achievement was made on October 29 at an Awards Banquet in the grand ballroom of the Statler-Hilton Hotel in New York City.

The Chairman of the awards jury

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## Laliberte Transfers From Rock of Ages To Commercial Eng. Here



The transfer of Leopold Laliberte from Rock of Ages Capacitors, Inc., Barre, Vermont to the Commercial Engineering Department in North Adams was recently announced by Albert H. Postle, Manager of Commercial Engineering Department in North Adams. Mr. Laliberte was named Product Specialist for film and paper capacitors.

A native of St. Johnsbury, Vermont and a graduate of St. Johnsbury Academy, he graduated from the University of Vermont with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering in June 1949. During World War II he served with the U. S. Marine Corps as a communications specialist.

Mr. Laliberte joined the Company in July 1949 in the Research and Engineering Department. In June of 1957 he was transferred to the Barre operation as Resident Engineer

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## September Suggestion Awards Total \$125.00

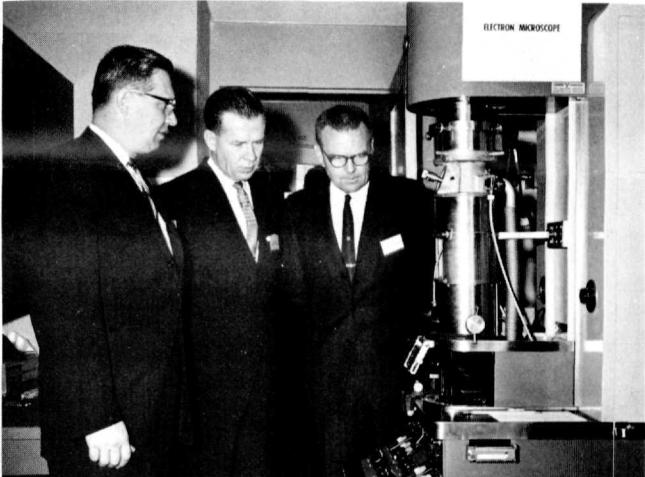
The Suggestion Committee, at its September meeting, accepted two suggestions and paid out a total of \$125.00. Thus far in 1962, the Committee has awarded a total of \$2,773.00 and accepted 53 suggestions.

Joseph Mantello of Chlorinol Department, Brown Street, received a \$100.00 award from the Committee for his idea which resulted in improvements in Chlorinol rolling equipment. He suggested wiring changes which have resulted in better utilization of the equipment.

A \$25.00 award was voted for the suggestion submitted by Carl Velte of the Machine Shop. His idea resulted in improved performance on the midget automatic rolling machine and elimination of many foil breaks.



# RESEARCH CENTER DEDICATION CEREMONIES - OCT. 11



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# Scenes from Research Center OPEN HOUSE - OCT. 13





# Departmental News . . .



## Production Planning Office

*by Gerry McClelland*

The change of the season has nothing on us. We have had a few major ones ourselves. Aline Robare, our ex-deskmate, has given up the joys of the office to become a mother to a bouncing baby girl - future material we hope. Click Clermont is leaving us for the big city of Hartford and the big step in her life, marriage with Mike. We have a new addition to the office in the person of Pat Bushey, the female jet. Ever hear of perpetual motion - that's Pat personified.

Let's all give a big hello to Lew Carpenter, the nicest thing that's happened around here in a long time, not that we don't still love you, Stan - after all where would we all be without you (probably Hollywood). We had a small going away party for Click, and our old friend from the plastic surgery department was there, a million laughs as usual, Do Lipinski.

Did anyone hear a rumor about two creamed chicken dinners disappearing? If you happen to be an amateur detective, try asking Judy Krzeminski. She has a very important clue. By the way, we have a very pleasant addition to the office in the person of Anne Hopkins, a very new bride with a very new method of cooking. Her wizardry in the kitchen is amazing, in fact you have to be a wizard to figure out just what it was she cooked.

Fran Unsworth and Judy Collins, our two friends on the night shift, are becoming quite expert at the Twist. Every now and then we look out of the window and wave to our friends across the street. Jean Kustra who has just returned from a lovely trip to Australia minus the pet kangaroo who was her constant companion. Laura Odell, another member of the little group up the river, is planning for her debut at the Peppermint Lounge as soon as the cast comes off.

Marlene Fitzgibbons is leaving us to join the ranks of motherhood. By the way, Lew has a marvelous disappearing act. Ask him to show you sometime. See you later!

## Miscellaneous Papers

*by Doris Richards*

It's been 'hello' and 'good-bye' to Rose Patric, Beverly Buletti, Lorraine Tanguay and Linda Cozzaglio. It was nice having you with us girls, even though it was only for a short time. Emily Rogowski has come to work with us, and we hope she will stay awhile. It's nice having a quiet girl working next to me!

Edna Cwierniewicz never did learn to stay off a ladder. She fell from it picking "the peach" the other day. You don't have to kill yourself to get your name in the LOG, Edna. I'll put it in! Congratulations to Bill Day, husband of Yvonne Day, on the beautiful new gas station he and Bert have on Ashland Street. Lots of luck from all of us. Agnes Fitzgerald spends some of her weekends in Laconia, New Hampshire visiting her daughter, Mary, and family.

John Williams, brother of Doris Richards, has returned home again from the Vets Hospital in Albany. Best wishes and a speedy recovery from all of us. Belated birthday wishes to Helen Harrington and Irene Kondej who were serenaded by the girls on their birthday. What would

you do without us? Carol Arrighini, daughter of Ruth, was chosen to do the Twist before a large group. We hear you are pretty good at it, Carol, and we know your mother's proud of you.

Jeannette Shambeau was in Canada for a few days and lived like a queen. Don't look at us, Jeannette - we're not going to wait on you now! Lillian Peck is spending a few days in Canada at this time. Maybe she'll want us to wait on her when she comes back. Congratulations to Agnes Fitzgerald on the birth of a new grandson.

## Film Products

*by Veronica Sobon*

With vacations coming to a close here are a few more who took theirs recently. Mary Volpi spent a week helping take care of her father who took sick. Sarah Brown, Barbara Dami and William Lauth just took life easy. According to them it was enough not to have to get out of bed at a certain time - just whenever they felt like it. Eleanor Bard, Leona Isabelle and Jeannette Lavigne are just starting on their vacation as this column goes in, but their plans are the same - the alarm clock goes into storage for the duration of their vacation.

Our foreman, Ida Decoteau, recently spent two weeks at home as part of her vacation. She was recently honored with a dinner at Taconic Park Restaurant to celebrate her promotion to foreman of our department. The only one of our group who missed a vacation was David Johnson. He is one of our newest co-workers and won't be eligible for one until next year. David is in the Army Reserves and had to spend two weeks at Camp Drum. How's that for luck? Don't take it too hard, Dave. It could have been worse, or could it?

It may be a little early, but Happy Thanksgiving anyway!

## QAR Beaver Street

*by Bonnie Beverly*

A party was held on September 13th at Taconic Park Restaurant in honor of Hazel Goodale. Dinner and dancing were enjoyed by young and old. Hazel was married to J. Edwin Bullock on September 29th in Williamstown. Congratulations, Hazel, and may you and Edwin have a long and happy life together.

Mae Stoeber has come up to Beaver Street for a while. She recently returned from a wonderful two weeks' vacation in Florida. From the way she was talking, I think she wishes she could return. I can't blame her any. If anyone hasn't already heard - Lorraine Piaggi is expecting a visit from the stork in March. Congratulations, Lorraine! I hope you and Ray will be very happy with your new addition. Jim Robinson and Marty Sokolove were on vacation during October and I hope they had wonderful times.

## Metal Clad

*by Assunta Pollone*

We have quite a few new faces in our department. We would like to welcome: Antoinette Richer, Betty Barcomb, Janet Straczek, Jennie Brown, Helen Harvey and Barbara Plankey. Barbara had been with us before. Oh yes, we mustn't forget Donald Arigoni. It's nice to have him back, too. He has such a pleasant disposition - no one has ever seen him mad.

Lucille Cross is looking for a home for two lovely kittens. You may have them by calling 743-3770 after 5 P.M. Jean Gancarz has four lovely children and one noon she brought in her children's pets to show us.

You'd never guess she would carry them around with her - she doesn't look the type. Oh yes, they are two tame mice.

Rose Maroni, Leona Millard, Mary Cozzaglio and Mary Paoletti have returned from their vacations. Mildred Mirante has also returned from a two month vacation in Seattle, Washington as the guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Major, and their two sons. Both Mr. & Mrs. Major teach in Seattle, he in a college and she in a high school. While in Seattle, Mildred was a frequent visitor at the World's Fair.

Rose Blair's daughter, Rose Marie, has been chosen a cheerleader at St. Joseph's High where she is a senior. Rachael Montagna's daughter has returned to Bay Path for her senior year. Barbara made the dean's list last semester. Alice Lavariere won 1st prize at her club's halloween party. It's no wonder - she wore a Jackie Kennedy mask!

## Check Inspection

*by Walt Gould*

George Maxwell has painfully decided that the proper male attire for home soldering should include asbestos pants. "Mother" Helen Bryce is now able to relax somewhat now that daughter Bonnie was chosen Queen of the Foliage Festival. Congratulations to Bonnie who well deserved the honor. As soon as the football season ends for her son Billy, she will throw away the other half of her tranquilizers.

Della Gawron is busy with her pet crow, Clem. The way he shreds papers she may wind up in either the confetti or excelsior business. Marilyn "Monroe" Daub is now one of the landed gentry having purchased a home of her own. She has enough land to enable her to camp in her own backyard and not commute to Windsor Jambs anymore. Phyllis Parker is still working hard trying to win at cards and figuring her mutual fund dividends in her spare time.

Ceil Mikuszewski has decided to diet and try to give me some competition in the reducing line. Harold "Jeff" Weyers must be doing all right with his bowling as we do not hear any complaints. But, on the other hand have not seen any medals or trophies either. Haven't much to report on Dick Maynard this trip, just that he is working hard and awaiting the Christmas holidays.

Hank Testa had the final week of his vacation and in the absence of glowing reports I have an idea it was one of those fall cleaning vacations. your reporter has one week saved up for camp, but at present all thoughts and anticipations relate to the LOG banquet - but alas, no more whiskey sours!

## High Reliability

*by Marion Andrews*

I would like to welcome the following new girls to our department: Elsie Belding, Mildred Patryn, Dot Baker, Charlotte Adamczyk, Theresa Phaneuf, and Caroline Wolkowicz. They have all been transferred here from other departments. We were sorry to have Gert Flaherty and Ann Gallagher leave us and we hope you will be back with us soon. Sorry I missed up on Florence and Harold Carsno's 39th wedding anniversary which was on October 22nd. Congratulations and many more, Florence. We also extend belated wedding anniversary greetings to Pearl Chilson, Marie Derosia and Sylvia Brayman. Mary Hillard, one of the quietest girls in our room, will be getting married on November 24th to Raymond Felix. Everyone wishes

you the best of luck and happiness, Mary.

Ted Fitzgerald is a grandpa again. His daughter had a baby boy. Ted says she wouldn't dare have anything else. Dot Davis also likes baby boys. Pauline Beliveau can't understand why when there are so many cute baby girls. Pauline says they never took a picture of her when she was a baby and she can't understand why.

Danny Levesque took part in the Fall Foliage Parade. He marched with the Golden Gator Drill Team of the American Legion from Vermont. We should be proud of our Fall Foliage Festival this year. Even though we had a bad day for the parade, I think we should say thank you for a job well done to each and every one who helped make it a success. Some of the girls in High Reliability are knitting for Christmas, and they sure know how to knit!

Marion Andrews and her husband were chaperons for some of the Senior High Fellowship of the First Baptist Church who took a trip to Eastern Baptist College, St. David, Pennsylvania. The group attended classes at the college and then went on to Philadelphia and Valley Forge which is the national headquarters for the American Baptist Convention.

We sure had a large group rooting for the Giants in the World Series. Evelyn Robinson spent her vacation taking in a few races and seeing other places of interest. It's good to have Mabel Bishop back to work after her sick leave.

## Sub-Miniature Stock

*by Shirley Harris*

Hi, everyone. It won't be long before the holiday spirit begins to hum. Speaking of a buying spirit - Martha Zeppieri is sporting a new Corvair and it sure is nice. Our Foreman, Neil Tanguay, is on vacation. He's watching the ball games you can bet.

Rita Brooks, who was with us for a little while, has returned to her job on nights at Brown Street. Sorry there isn't any more news but everyone is being so good. See you next month!

## Purchasing

*by Betty Bogus*

Wedding bells are ringing in the Purchasing office. Two of our young gents are about to enter into the state of matrimony. Bill Vareski and Nancy Petri were married on October 13th and John Eagar and Pat Malloy will be married on November 24th. A Stag party was held in Bill's honor on September 30th by his co-workers and friends. He was presented a purse. A fine time was had by all.

A Ceramic Party was held at the home of Elaine LaFrance on October 3rd. Twenty-three friends attended the affair. During the evening a birthday cake was presented to Emma Jobin who observed her birthday on October 8. Mrs. Sampson, from Pittsfield, was the demonstrator for the ceramic items which consisted of ash trays, religious statues, figurines and plaques. These articles are all made by Mrs. Sampson in her home.

James O'Neil took in the World Series games in New York while on vacation. Lucky guy!

## Paper Rolling

*by Nabbie Skorupski and Pearl Sharples*

Well, here it is news time again - vacation time is over! Emma Gagnon is a grandmother. Her daughter had a son. What a surprise 'Shaffy' had one day to see her passengers, Ruth Fox and Marie Richer, sitting in a car that they thought was hers. Has anyone realized that we have four sets of sisters in Paper Rolling. They are: Vi Scovine and Rose Garofano, Flo Gaffey and Mary Pellerin, Ruth Fox and Helen Filiault, and Carmela Tassone and Rose Tassone. Relatives don't end with that list either. In talking to our group we've

discovered more cousins than you'll find in 'them thar hills'.

Co-workers, did you notice Errol Flynn in our stockroom? We're happy to see Betty Carlow back after her recent illness. Phil Nimmons had better make sure she is wide awake in the morning - imagine picking up a bag of green peppers instead of lunch! Dot MacDonald has a '60 Corvair. We wish you luck with it, Dot.

## Metal Clad Finish

*by Helen Sikora*

With vacations coming to an end the last group to take theirs included Johanna Bruggeman, Irene Mossolani and John McKeon who all spent their time at home. Diane Lebert, who worked with us this summer as desk clerk, has left to resume her studies at Riviere College in Nashua, New Hampshire. We all miss her and wish her much success in her studies. Maria Melchiori was recently surprised by some of her co-workers on her 40th wedding anniversary. She was presented a set of television trays and a cake. We all hope you have many, many more.

Two girls sporting new cars are Carmela Scalise with a Tempest and Anna Spagnolo with a Le Sabre. Pretty sharp, girls! We would like to welcome Angie Carleton who has come to work in our department. We hope you like it here. Isabelle Lipinski has left us. Her stay was short but we do miss her. Regina Trzcinski's mother has been confined to a Pittsfield hospital for many weeks. We all wish her a speedy recovery and hope she will be home soon.

Our most heartfelt and deepest sympathy is extended to Sylvia Beaudin whose daughter, Eunice Dodd, husband, and four children perished in a fire that destroyed their home in Beverly, Massachusetts.

## Plating

*by Joe Pilling*

Howie Isherwood spent his second week's vacation doing a lot of swimming. He also went up to Mt. Snow so his children could ice skate and swim the same day. Poor Izzy Wolkin spent most of his vacation at the hospital. We're all glad they fixed him up so that he's back at the old stand again. Walt Cwalinski enjoyed his vacation by starting to paint his house. I understand that he painted some of his grass white. Frank Mroz's son, Dennis, is betwixt and between. He's too old for the Pee Wee league but not heavy enough for the bigger league in Pop Warner football. Cheer up, Dennis, you'll get there. His brother, Frank, made the grade as a fullback.

Izzy Wolkin's son has joined the Air Force. He's taking basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas. Yours Truly had a very nice vacation. We drove to Cleveland where we spent a couple of days. We then boarded a ship, car and all, to Detroit. We returned through Canada. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mroz on the birth of a daughter.

## Paper Rolling (Nights)

*by Justine Miner*

First of all we would like to congratulate all of the people who were involved in putting on the Fall Foliage Parade under very trying conditions. Another month is over and the trick or treatin' is over too. Now thoughts change to turkey and all the fixings. We have a few tricksters in our department. The water games usually get to the seat of things and the lumps under cushions keep one on his toes. It helps to break the monotony, anyway.

Our cute saying for the month comes from little Julie Scott, daughter of Fran, who came out with a new



Ida Decoteau, recently appointed foreman of Film Products on Beaver Street, is shown surrounded by gifts she received at a dinner held in her honor at Taconic Park Restaurant.



Pfc. James Miller, son of Raymond of Beaver Street Impregnation, was home on leave recently. He reported to Aviation Training School in Memphis following his leave.

one for bobby pins - 'mommy pins'. ...Walking to work this month was Lorraine Wittig. Her darling sons put a snake in her car... Shirley Higgins has been mouse hunting. She sets her traps in the trunk of the car. Even mice like mobilehomes... Rose Tassone is back to work after a trip to Florida... Best wishes go to Patricia Welch and Carol Robare, both of whom are on leave... Also best wishes to Helen Krzeminski's little boy who has been ill.

Hope you all had a good month. Keep smiling - there's another one coming!



### Filter Small Orders

by Julia Desrosiers

We would like to welcome Dorothy Koscielniak to our department. Dorothy comes to us from the Filter Department... We would like to send 'get well' wishes to Harry Duffy and Dorothy Belanger who have both been on sick leave... Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Konopka who will celebrate their 33rd wedding anniversary on November 25... A happy anniversary wish also to Mr. and Mrs. Clair Murphy who will celebrate on November 1.

Now that the foliage has gone everyone will soon be thinking about Christmas... We wish Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sherman, Jr. loads of luck. They were married on September 29th. Ralph is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sherman.

### FP Assembly

by Grace McConnell

Well, I guess most of the vacations are over... Marguerite LaCasse enjoyed a week at home, this being her third week... Tessie Czaja had two weeks' of her vacation and went to Springfield to visit her sister and from there went to Long Island... We are glad to see Elsie Smith back after being out for 5½ months with a

afghan about three quarters done. Keep up the good work, girls!

Mary Aldrich, our little mother, has been quite busy with her new son, John Bruce, who is now a month old. Mary stopped in to see us with the baby recently. He sure is a cute baby, Mary. Lots of luck and happiness with him.

### Filter Development Coil Winding

by Lucy Kenney

Helen Menard, Virginia Delisle, Jeanette Cady and Mildred Blanchard all motored to the fabulous Paradise Restaurant in Bennington for a good feed recently... Joe Law, Helena Adams and Frank Goloski all returned recently from vacations... The Coil Winding Department has a new look and everyone is separated. We don't cook or talk politics anymore - we just attend to business (more so than ever)... Yours Truly is engaged to John Mahoney - I wore his sneaks for Halloween!

George Donovan whistles all day and thinks no one can hear him, but we can, George. He can still charm a bird right out of a tree... We welcome Anita Esposito to the Filters - you know everybody can't get in here!... Betty Fleury is back again and looks just wonderful. Please stay that way... Ralph Offord spent a week-end in New York recently. It was the first time he had been back since he originally docked there coming to this country from England.

### Ceramics

by Marguerite Daub

The boys in our department enjoyed a steak fry during the nice August weather. It was held up in Florida at Clayton Burdick's dad's place. Everyone had a wonderful time and all are waiting for next year to come for more of the same... We would like to welcome all of our new co-workers. We're glad to have you with us... Here is some mighty important news I slipped up on. Our Janet Crews received a beautiful diamond a month or so ago from her William Lanoue. They expect to be married in about a year. The best of luck to both of you, Jan, and I'm sorry I missed you.

Celia Kudla is enjoying her vacation touring New Hampshire, Vermont and Massachusetts, ending at Berkshire Downs... Dorothy Lewis is using her last week to house clean - she hopes... Our foreman, Lou Ziter, is enjoying a week's vacation too... Does anyone want to be Ed Mulvaney's social secretary? He had a date all set to attend the supervisor's dinner, but it was the wrong date. He would have had dinner all alone, that's certain.

### Tantalum Finish

by Doris Anello

Well, vacations are just about over... I hope everyone had a great summer, and now fall is here. What a beautiful and colorful season it is and what wonderful scenery we have. I am just entranced every time I travel our roads... Did the goblins

get you? Did you see those witches riding their brooms in the sky? As for me - I made out swell in the candy department - no one even knew me. It's one way of getting free candy! ...Voila! We have a new designer in our midst. Her name is Barbara a la King and she's the exclusive designer of sheath aprons, and they stretch too. We had the pleasure of having her model them for us.

"Put something in the pot, boy" is the usual saying, but we say to Shirley Burnett - "Please don't drop anything in that pot, girl!"... Congratulations to Edward and Rose Lisee, Mary and Lawrence Boudreau, Betty and Cecil Johnson, Doris and Charles Gaudette, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ross who all celebrate anniversaries in November... Happy birthday greetings to Agnes Fleming, Frances Gigliotti, Gladabelle Ross, Evelyn Prystas, and Yours Truly who all celebrate birthdays in November... See you next month!

### Filters

by Ruth Haskins and Alice Monette

We are all happy to have John Davis back with us again after his stay in the hospital... Margaret Gardner, Millie Canino and Eleanor Brooks were also recent patients at North Adams Hospital... Congratulations to Ernest Remillard and his wife on the birth of their son... Joe Law took a week of his vacation after his daughter's wedding... Frank Goloski had a grand week's vacation which he spent hunting and camping with friends. He had very good luck hunting too! He plans to take his second week in November to hunt in Vermont.

We would like to welcome our new girls: Anita Esposito, and Jeanine Glwiski and say farewell to Mary Farinon who has left us to join the office group... Our official cake-baker was on the job again this week with a beautiful birthday cake for Edith Bassett... Al Marsh reports that his son, Tommy, will be home on leave around December 1st. This means Tommy will be spending Christmas at home and also have time to get acquainted with his son whom he has never seen.

We certainly hope that the Filter girls who are joining the new candle-pin bowling leagues will enjoy themselves as much as we have enjoyed hearing them making their plans.

### Miscellaneous Dry Test and Ship

by Emily Wlodzyka and Ella Genesi

The Fall Foliage Parade was a great success in spite of the bad weather. The rain didn't seem to dampen the spirit or the enthusiasm of the spectators as each band, drum corps or float went by. The children (and grown-ups too) enjoyed the nursery rhyme floats which were beautiful. The Sprague choo-choo train was a clever piece of engineering, indeed!

North Adams Police Chief William Coyne and his wife Rose recently attended a Police Chiefs' convention held in St. Louis, Missouri. They

were accompanied by Millie Rivers, Rose's sister. They had a wonderful time. Rose has been traveling far and wide recently and has eaten in some famous restaurants, stayed at some beautiful motels and seen plenty of the country too. The luck of some people! The majority of us will probably never get much further than New York City.

Marion LaBombard is a happy person these days. Her son Martin and wife and child are back home after completing a two year stint in the Air Force at McClelland Air Force Base, Sacramento, California. They intend to go housekeeping just as soon as they get settled... We're glad to have William Blay back with us again. He recently underwent surgery at the North Adams Hospital.

We would also like to say 'hi' to Al Brouillett and wish him a speedy recovery. Al is confined to the hospital after a recent operation. We're all rooting for you... We have several people in our department who have over 20 years service with Sprague Electric and took their third week of vacation recently. They are as follows: Della Remillard who took short trips; Celeste Beliveau who spent her time at home, did some relaxing and also some fall cleaning; Cecile Magnani who visited relatives in Ontario, Canada; and Don Roy who spent his time doing odd jobs and also relaxing at home... We leave you now with this thought in mind, "A man can injure his pride by tripping over his own bluff!"

### Sprodcro Inventory Control

by Peggy Brule

Quick as a flash summer is gone, the autumn leaves have covered the ground, the beautiful foliage has quickly disappeared, and now we find Mr. Frost nipping at our heels and reminding us to shake the moth balls out of our winter clothes and get ready for Old Man Winter and the holidays which aren't too far away... The Fall Foliage Parade was magnificent. Thanks to everyone who had a part in it. We were all proud of pretty Bonnie Bryce who was chosen Queen of the Festival.

On September 29th Lt. David Hamer, of the U. S. Air Force, was married to Betty Baldi of Belmont, Massachusetts. David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Butler and nephew of Marg Lasher. Those attending the wedding from here, besides his parents and brothers, were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lasher and David's grandmother, Mrs. P. Cuddeback. David and Betty are both graduates of the University of Massachusetts.

Nan Rousseau was a bridesmaid for her friend, Edna Banas Allesio, who was married on September 29th. Nan's husband was an usher... While we are on the subject of weddings, our own Bob Burbank was married on October 13th to Marlene Schnopp. Bill Cone was best man for Bob and Lyn Cone, Bill's lovely wife, was one of Marlene's bridesmaids. Good luck and best wishes to all the newlyweds... Marcia Lewis will look pretty as a



These fellows sure look like they are enjoying themselves at the steak fry held by the Ceramic Department. In fact we hear it is to be a yearly event.

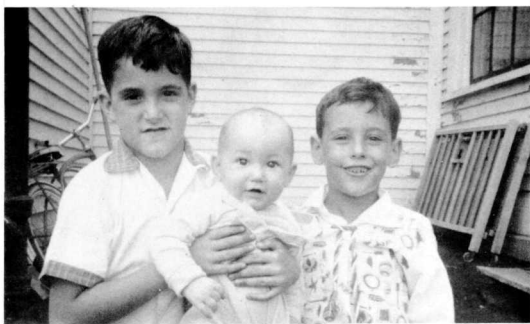


Ed Newman makes a good cook for the steak fry. At least he can peel onions.





Little Sheri LaFrance, daughter of Elaine of Purchasing, seems mighty pleased with her telephone conversation.



Meet three fine young gentlemen. They are Anthony, Michael and David Nuvalle, grandchildren of Dominick Pisano, watchman, and Alice Pisano of Tantalum.

picture in the new winter clothes she's having made by her seamstress.

Peggy Brule's mother and father celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 26th. A dinner party was held at Mountain View Restaurant on October 27th to celebrate the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Mancuso's 10 children and 28 grandchildren were all present at the party, along with many friends and relatives. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mancuso are former Sprague Electric employees.

Congratulations to Mr. Robert C. Sprague on the beautiful Research Center. Our city is proud to have such a fine building. Many of us are making plans to go to New York City on the Sprague Christmas excursion on December 15th. Peggy Brule can't wait to see all her friends at the LOG banquet. Happy Thanksgiving everyone. Hurry and get that Christmas shopping done.

#### Check Inspection

by Betty Jangrow

We are happy to hear that Lil Grande is feeling fine after her stay in the hospital the first week of October. Keep up the good work, Lil, and you'll soon be back with us and in the best of health. Stella Zieminski kept her word and you'll find a picture of her son and his bride in this issue. A lovely picture indeed!

We wish Donald Langer luck in his new position as supervisor in Ceramics. To date, two Marshall Street Check Inspectors have been appointed supervisors - the other being Bernie Barbeau. Good luck to you fellows, and also to the people who have replaced you. Andy Konopka has been quite busy serving on jury duty this term. He really enjoys this sort of work and it is part of the duty of being an American citizen.

Even though it is just October, Norman Robare is making plans for the Christmas party. Norman and Betty Jangrow are in charge of arrangements. Jim Lewis is entertaining friends from New York City. They enjoy North Adams at this time each year. It's too bad the rain spoiled the foliage.

#### Maintenance

by Judy Kelyer

Welcome back to all of our employees who have been on leave for one reason or another. We would also like to say 'welcome' to all our new employees: Robert Duprea and Ronald Cowell to the Millwright Department; Eugene Morse to the Electric Shop; Robert Fallon and Robert Major to the Beaver Street crew; Clayton Burdick to the Carpenter Shop; and Edward Gagne to the Beaver Street Boiler Room. Hope you boys will like working with us.

Belated congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Burr who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on October 7th. Walk works in the stockroom. Greetings also to Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Mastroianni on their 25th anniversary which was celebrated on October 23rd. Angelo works in the

Millwright Shop. We hope both couples enjoy many more happy years together.

Our globe-trotter, Catherine Scott, of the Aging Group, returned from her trip to Ireland and reported having a wonderful time. We are still waiting for a full report and maybe some interesting pictures. We would also like to send our congratulations to William Peck on his marriage on October 20th.

#### Tantalum

by Amelia Koza and Gladys Moderski

Despite the bad weather, the Fall Foliage Parade was a success with one exception - everyone went home with cold hands and wet feet. Bernadette Jones and Lorraine Thomas, the two new mothers, are back to work again. We are all glad to have Alice Marceau back with us again. She had been out on sick leave. A big 'hello' and 'how are you' to Shirley Aubin who is also on a sick leave. We are hoping to see you back with us soon.

Mary Crandall and Dorothy Farrion are the two lucky ones at present. They are spending a few days of their vacation at the new Americana Hotel in New York City. Ora Boyer spent her vacation attending the Emblem Club convention at Atlantic City, New Jersey - elaborate entertainment and beautiful weather made the affair a complete success. Congratulations to Belle Dow who became a grandmother again. You sure need that vacation, Belle!

Good luck to Betty Sharkey who was transferred to the Autometrics Department. We all miss you. Donald Berger spent his vacation at home watching the World Series - that is when they weren't rained out. Gladys Roy spent her vacation renovating a few of her rooms. Rita Girardi had a strong supporter and rooter at the bowling alley - her grandson - who was quite excited when Rita threw a strike ball. Rita, I must say you have every reason to be proud of "Tim". He's a beautiful child.

Eva Ferris recently acquired a new addition "Zip", a stuffed monkey, to complete her family of stuffed monkeys.

#### Formation

by Bob Witherell

All the boys in the department would like to extend their sincere sympathy to Carl Estes on the recent loss of his father. We would like to welcome Francis Robare back to work after his recent illness. We also hope to have Armand Beliveau back with us soon. There's a rumor about the department that a person (initials L. C.) is quite a pool player. We also hear that he got in the way of a flying pickle. The Big Chief was the only one who caught fish on a recent fishing venture. He will probably use it for bait next time out.

Charlie Jordan is sporting a bright white painter's cap. He must be looking for a transfer to the paint

shop. We all said good-bye to Napoleon Patenaude on his retirement last month. We miss his stories about 'the old days'. We hope he gets a broom for Christmas. Good luck, Pat!

If anyone has news which I could use for this LOG column, please let me know.

#### Sprague Products

by Carolyn Mullen

##### WHO SWALLOWED THE PUMPKIN SEED?

Many years ago in the land of "Boo-Ba-Ba-Dee" lived a swingin' witch called Red.

When the moon shone bright on Halloween night, and the kids were out for their treat,

Old Red would fly on her broom so high, to see who she could meet.

Now in her travels, she met a girl who was dressed like a pumpkin seed, A child so brassy, a child so sassy, but still pure in thought and deed.

From house to house, from door to door, this little miss would go, To get her candy, to get her treat, and you can bet this pleased her so. Now Red flew down to this sweet little child, who was dressed like a pumpkin seed, and you can bet that swinging Red was having herself a feed.

Quotation: "Beware of witches".

#### Sprague International Ltd.

by Barbara Neville

Let's take a fictitious hayride this month, with all members of our office attending. Guess who was picked to drive the wagon. Yes, Mr. Adams and Mr. Becerra. I wonder if they have ever driven a wagon before? Just look at Nereo Agostinelli, George Ferran, Ken Haskins and Wayne Ross loading that hay. I think they're missing the wagon most of the time. Maybe Ken is still exhausted from playing mother to his three children while his wife was at the hospital with their new baby girl. We heard that braiding his little girl's hair was the hardest task of all. What about it, Ken? Well, anyway, we wish to extend our congratulations to Ken and Joan and their new little girl, Colleen. Hey, Bob Ballinger looks a little puzzled. He's trying to figure out how to hook up the horses. Oh, no, Sydney Stackpole has decided to lend a hand. I sure hope they put the horses before the wagon. Here come Suzette Lemieux and Ginger Schmehl, both in their new Triumphs. Aren't those cars sharp looking though!

I have to see why everyone is crowding around Sandy Segala. Now I know. She brought tons of goodies. Boy, that banana cake sure looks delicious. Pat Cowell is busy introducing Wanda LeBeau to everyone. Wanda is a new member of our office. Welcome aboard, Wanda. Myrna Harvey is trying to convince Carol Favreau, Dot Belanger, and Helen Kawa that a square dance would be just the thing after the ride. I bet it won't take much persuasion either. Janet Wilk is making sure

Pat Cowell brought her music book. She says she feels like singing. Can't you just hear us all singing now? Boy, we'll show Mitch Miller's gang up. Ha, Ha, Ha!

Oh good, here comes Bertha Richards. She thought maybe bowling would interfere with tonight's plans, but I guess not. She just said that our regular Tuesday session had been enough for her this week. Our games sure do get pretty exciting at times. I wonder how our night shift is doing tonight? We're sorry they couldn't make the hayride, but as you know, someone has to hold the fort. Will you just look at Millie Germanowski, Chris Ameen and Aline Lindner. They're so bundled up, you'd think we were expecting a snow storm tonight. May I mention that I'm dressed the same. You know, you just can't take any chances on the weather these days.

Janice Brule and Pat Doubleday will be a little late tonight. They're both quite wound up in their new sewing lessons these days. I wonder if they'll dare to wear anything they make! Only kidding! Look who's in charge of the coffee - Mary Roberts, Jo Ferris and Virginia Zegarowski. That coffee sure will hit the spot after the ride. It is a little chilly tonight. Well, Sandy Kleiner says everyone is aboard, so I guess we're all set to go. Oh, no! Panic! Who can fix the wheel that just fell off our wagon?

## UNION STREET Echoes

#### Magnetic Finish

by Helen Burdick

Here we are again - the Fall Foliage Parade and the foliage itself are both things of the past for another year. The Parade, as usual, was great, but the weather made the parade much smaller than usual. It's too bad that it couldn't have been held a week earlier when the weather was beautiful.

Last month we had to say good-bye to our foreman, Bob Marriott, who left us to become a General Foreman at the Plymouth, New Hampshire Plant. Our loss is their gain. A dinner was held at Taconic Park Restaurant for Bob, his wife, and his mother. It was one of the nicest parties I have ever attended. We all miss Bob and wish him the best in his new job.

Alda Ariazi and her husband flew to California for the month of September. Alda says that flying is the only way to travel. They also traveled all over California and visited Disney Land, Lake Tahoe, Mexico and Reno, Nevada. Even after being in Reno they came back still married to each other. Alda is now planning a trip to Hawaii in the next couple of years.

We send a big hello to all the girls who were transferred and hope they don't forget us, and also that they

will be back soon. Norma Skorupski's son, Al, and Dot DeGraff's son, Mike, both play on their school's football teams. Al plays for Drury and Mike for Adams - so on the big day, may the better team win! Good luck to both boys and their moms who I know go to all their games.

Congratulations to Helen and John Murphy on their fifth grandchild, a third son to their son John and his wife of Greenfield. Jack Grady, one of our supervisors, spent part of his vacation visiting his parents in Rochester, New York. Be good everyone as it's nearly time for the man in the red suit and white beard to come!

#### Samples and Small Orders

by M. Shirley Noring

Farewell and the best of luck to Bob Marriott who has left us to become General Foreman at Sprague's Plant in Plymouth, New Hampshire. Congratulations, Bob! We know you'll do well. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayden welcomed a sweet new arrival in their family - a daughter, Rose Marie, was born on October 3rd.

Thanksgiving Day

Is on its way.

Everyone be gay -

It's a paid holiday!



#### High Quality Coolers

by Evelyn Jones

Is everyone all set for Halloween? There seem to be plenty of pumpkins around this year. There are still a few lucky vacationers. Flora Niebling spent a few days visiting on Long Island. Emma Gould toured the southlands to Florida. EXTRA! Francis St. John had a birthday on October 24. Many happy returns, Fran. Liz Slattery spent her vacation going from whist to whist. Hope you won at least one prize, Liz.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zieminski posed for this picture at their wedding reception. She is the former Nancy Annett. Robert is the son of Stella, a check inspector in Western Electric.



David and Dennis Lampiasi are the handsome sons of Andy of Western Electric. Their mother formerly worked in Clorinol.



Little Chucky Goddard, son of Charles of Industrial Oil Final Assembly, looks like a real happy baby.

We have named Flo Dupre 'the sniffer'. She sure has a keen sense of smell... You've heard about June busting out all over? Well that's what happened to Fran St. John. They aren't making those seams as strong these days!... Everyone is keeping their distance from Emma Gould these days. That cigarette holder sure is a beauty!... We've heard about hair that's hard to curl but when you have to get a perm in two parts - that's really rough. Isn't that right, Lil Senecal?

We can't still figure this one out. Fran St. John had an operation on his thumb and he came in limping! Oh well, funny things do happen every day. For instance Lil Senecal parked her car one noon to go shopping, reached over and turned off the windshield wipers, but left the car running. She couldn't figure out why the car was smoking when she got back. You didn't get many miles on that tank of gas, did you Lil!

Linda Cozzaglio attended a wedding in New York and Olympia Gajda attended one in New Jersey... Our congratulations to Agnes Miller and Frank Lineberry who were married on October 6th. Hope you have many years of happiness ahead... Welcome to all the new people who have joined us recently... So long and good luck to Fran St. John who has left us for another job.

### Mica and Fambika

by Irene Drobick

Some of the girls attended a supper at the Springs Restaurant recently. From all reports they're ready to go again... We would like to welcome Lil Flaherty to our department. We hope you stay with us for awhile... Some of the girls who have left the department recently are: Stacia Szelata, Nancy Tatro, Blanche Landry, Barbara Plankey and Jennie Kolodziej.

We extend our sympathy to Jane Pyra on the death of her husband, and also to Mary Roy on the death of her grandson... Nancy Hurley and Kitty Mariani received their 20-year pins. Congratulations!... We wish a speedy recovery to Mary Roy's husband who is ill in the hospital, and also to Red Czerwinski who recently was operated on.

Fred Pinkall and his wife are the owners of a new home. Best of luck to both of you... Julia Sullivan is having her vacation. We hope she has nice weather... Who is the person who calls someone 'sweetie'?

### Laliberte

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and later was named Plant Superintendent.

He is married to the former Annie Warren of Concord, Vermont and they have two children.

### Cushman

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Stratford, Connecticut, as a Project Engineer. He served in the South Pacific area from 1943-46 in the U. S. Air Force.

He is married to the former Lupin Howard of Bennington, Vermont and they have two sons and a daughter.

## November Anniversaries...

- 1, Mr. & Mrs. John Sears, 26th
- 1, Mr. & Mrs. John Hewitt, 15th
- 5, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Davison, 13th
- 7, Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Beaudin, 35th
- 7, Mr. & Mrs. Alex Vachereau, 35th
- 7, Mr. & Mrs. Louis Daub, 9th
- 8, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Fern, 15th
- 10, Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Brooks, 7th
- 11, Mr. & Mrs. Larry McConnell, 23rd
- 13, Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Lavigne, 11th
- 14, Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Davison, 31st
- 15, Mr. & Mrs. William Belanger, 15th
- 17, Mr. & Mrs. James McCarthy, 18th
- 17, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Marceau, 17th
- 17, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Cancro, 1st
- 18, Mr. & Mrs. John Hartlage, 16th
- 21, Mr. & Mrs. William Danforth, 33rd
- 22, Mr. & Mrs. Theodor Szafranski, 15th
- 23, Mr. & Mrs. Victor Blair, 22nd
- 24, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Gooch, 24th
- 24, Mr. & Mrs. Chester Trzcinski, 13th
- 24, Mr. & Mrs. William Russell, 36th
- 27, Mr. & Mrs. Edward Thibodeau, 20th
- 28, Mr. & Mrs. Edward Nichols, 40th
- 29, Mr. & Mrs. John Jennings, 15th
- 29, Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Levesque, 33rd

## New Arrivals...

### SEPTEMBER

- 14, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Dean, daughter
- 21, Mr. & Mrs. George Shurtliff, son
- 22, Mr. & Mrs. James Birch, son
- 25, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Remillard, son
- 26, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Mroz, daughter
- 28, Mr. & Mrs. James Valotta, daughter
- 28, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Boucher, son
- 29, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Lewis, daughter
- 29, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Lusier, daughter
- 30, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Lesage, daughter

### OCTOBER

- 1, Mr. & Mrs. Edmond Perras, daughter
- 4, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Hayden, daughter
- 8, Mr. & Mrs. Leslie Swartzter, daughter
- 8, Mr. & Mrs. James Knights, daughter
- 14, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Burdick, daughter
- 14, Mr. & Mrs. Everett Tatro, daughter
- 16, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Lussier, son
- 17, Mr. & Mrs. Russell Noel, Jr., son
- 18, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Accetta, son
- 18, Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred Carrier, daughter
- 18, Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Ritcher, daughter
- 26, Mr. & Mrs. David Nealon, son
- 27, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Lora, Jr., daughter

## "I Do" Notes...

### OCTOBER 20

Carolyn Clermont and Michael Bator

## November Birthdays

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|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1, Gilberte Moore    | 8, Frances Dami           | 21, Mary Bishop     |
| 2, Helen Gould       | 9, John McConnell         | 22, Joyce Socha     |
| 2, Alvin Marsh       | 9, Jean Maselli           | 22, Cecile Magnani  |
| 2, John Battersby    | 10, Marjorie Hauptfleisch | 23, Helen Murphy    |
| 3, Elsie Lovett      | 12, Rose Richards         | 24, Raymond Guyette |
| 4, Christine Ameen   | 13, Margaret O'Neill      | 24, Gloria Hebert   |
| 5, Mary Lizak        | 13, Catherine Mariani     | 27, Kenneth Haskins |
| 5, Regina Trzcinski  | 15, Stephen Godyn         | 28, Hazel Lavigne   |
| 5, Bill Benedetti    | 17, Shirley Higgins       | 28, Dominic Blasi   |
| 7, Henrietta Senecal | 17, Cheryl Perry          | 29, Mary Sleeman    |
| 7, Janet Bruno       | 19, Mary Boschetti        | 29, Robert Copeland |
| 7, Millie Faustini   | 20, Clara Marceau         | 30, Pauline Dean    |
| 8, Phil Worcester    | 20, Albina Burdick        |                     |

## Bennington By-Lines

### Bennington General and Wire Coating

by Lorraine Elmore

Fall is here already. It seems as though we just welcomed spring and now we are bidding a sad adieu to summer. I, for one, hate to see the long days disappear... Vacations are over and the children are back in school. Boy, is this a fact! The evidence of this is usually piled on my kitchen table as I walk in the door each night - books galore! They just drop them as they come through the door.

It was with regret that we said good-bye to Mr. Cushman, our recent Plant Manager. He was here such a short time, but long enough for us to know and like him. Best of luck on your new project, Mr. Cushman... John Young was beaming like a floodlight recently. His wife gave birth to a 6 lb. 1 oz. baby girl named Tammy Marie. Congratulations, John... Bob Welch is also to be congratulated for he also has a baby daughter... We are glad to welcome back Irving 'Ding' Daigneault. He had spent a couple of weeks in the hospital in Albany.

Our parking lot is going to have a face lifting soon, and are we glad. No more bumpity, bump in the car, or getting splashed as the cars go through the potholes, or nearly twisting an ankle on stones as you try to walk in high heels. Ah, girls... Have a nice Thanksgiving and we'll see you next month.

### Instrument Department

by Mary Sleeman

Peter Quinn is still walking on Cloud Nine even though it has been over two months since he and his missus were married. We are glad to hear that your mother is coming along fine after her operation, Peter... During our breaks you find Ken Welch, Bud Mattison and Peter Quinn with books in their hands. They are studying for their courses in Sprague-Franklin... We are quite fortunate to have a Fanny Farmer kitchen in our department. Imagine



Little Brenda Bissell, two year old daughter of Art Bissell, poses with her pretty flower.

### Podolsky

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dates both of the latter, having been formed in the United States in 1904. There are thirty-six member countries of I. E. C., which has the responsibility of writing the standards which are used in world trade in electrical and electronic parts and apparatus of all kinds. Participation by the United States is particularly important to protect the foreign markets of United States manufacturers.

Mr. Podolsky is Technical Advisor for the United States National Committee of the I. E. C., and Chairman of the International Standards Committee of the Electronic Industries Association. He has served as a consultant to the Department of Defense and the Armed Services for many years, and is on the Advisory Committee of the National Bureau of Standards. He currently is responsible



Chris and Mike Sleeman are the happy children of Mary Sleeman of the Instrument Department.

right on their potting tables, orders for candy are being taken by Gary Sweet and Norma Raetz. They look so neat in the Ben Casey aprons and Dr. Kildare gloves.

Barbara LeBlanc was quite proud of her daughter. She was one of the contestants for the Fall Foliage Queen. Even though she didn't win, Barb, she looked lovely... Talk about luck - Gary Sweet sure has it. He cleaned house on the World Series. Well they say money goes where money is!... Don Raina, our supervisor, is the man you want around when your washing machine goes on the blink. He is so handy. Just ask his wife, Claire.

Peggy Bishop has been busy gathering bittersweet lately. Don't ask her where she gets it because you'll get the same answer we get - "Oh, out there in the field". But, what field, Peg?... Doris Pinsonneault was given a surprise party by her co-workers and presented with a lovely cake. How does it feel to be getting old, Doris?

### Magnetics

by Joan Myers

Congratulations to Bob Welch and his wife on the birth of their daughter. I asked Bob what they named her and he said, "Sam". Could it be you wanted a boy? Next time, maybe!... Nellie Danforth is home recuperating from an operation. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope she will be back with us soon. Hurry up, Nellie. We miss you... Hugh van Zelm presented Mae Jeskie with a \$25 Suggestion Award check on September 12. Hugh encouraged all employees to submit suggestions, both for the good of the Company and themselves. The Industrial Relations Department served free coffee to the entire plant at this presentation. Come on gang! Let's go!

We were all a little bit sad to say good-bye to Walt Babcock, but we wish him the best of luck on his new job. We gave him a wallet as a small token of remembrance... Everyone seems to be catching colds lately,



These two lovely children are Kevin and Pamela Pinsonneault, children of Doris Pinsonneault.

but one of the girls thinks she has come up with the solution. Faye Rousseau read someplace that an apple a day will ward off colds. Does it really help, Faye? We know she rushed right out and bought a large basket of apples... Johnny why do you laugh at Dee Ann's singing? We think that "Some day you'll call my name and I won't answer" is a real nice beginning for a song. And what about your singing songs in Chinese and Alaskan, yet?

Five girls went to have their fortunes told a while ago. One was told she would get married - but not for some time; another was told she would get some money soon (this came true - she won a baseball pool and at poker); still another was told she talked too much (don't we all!). After their session with the 'prophetress' they went for some liquid refreshments. All in all, they had a real terrific time.

Eleanor, are you still driving illegally?... Peg and John Sears were real happy when their son Bill arrived home for a month long furlough. He will be returning to Norfolk, Virginia where he will be assigned to Marine MP duty... Happy Thanksgiving!



Marlene Langlois, daughter of Art Langlois, recently graduated from Catherine Labourne School of Nursing.

the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and is a member of the Berkshire Chapter of the Massachusetts Society of Professional Engineers.

### Stockholder's Report

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which made the selections is Dr. Joseph H. Taggart, Executive Dean of the Schools of Business, New York University. Other members of the independent board of judges are Charles H. Sievert, business and financial columnist of The New York World-Telegram; Ivan Chermayeff, president-elect of the American Institute of Graphic Arts; Donald B. Macurda, past-president of the New York Society of Security Analysts, Inc.; and Edward R. Holt, president of the latter group. In addition, twenty-nine investment analysts from the New York Society also served on the panel.



# THE TRADING POST

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4-ROOM MODERN APARTMENT with bath and shower. Vacant Nov. 1. Inquire at 244 Walnut Street, North Adams.

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## Open House

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Interesting exhibits demonstrated the function of these silver/silver chloride units.

Upon returning to the first floor the tour group entered the Solid State Diffusion laboratories. In this laboratory junctions are made on semiconducting material, and it is from work of this sort that diodes and transistors are produced as well as our new integrated circuits. In the Organic Chemistry Department the ultra violet spectrophotometer and vapor fractometer proved of great interest. The work in this area is of an advanced research type. Other equipment which proved interesting was the electron microscope which can produce magnifications up to 100,000 times. With this equipment we have learned much about the very minute structures from which our products are made, and we are constantly studying and learning more.

In the basement the service area proved of interest. The most modern equipment provides air conditioning, air filtering and temperature control. In the hall a wall panel had been removed to show how hot and cold water, deionized water, air under pressure, and gas are piped through the risers to each module.

Final points of interest were the metallographic microscope which is used to study the materials used in semiconductors, particularly in reference to purity and structural perfection, and the radio frequency equipment which is used to melt germanium and silicon for the growth of single crystals for use in transistors.

Following the tour souvenirs were distributed and a light lunch served in the tent at the rear of the building.

## Research Center

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creativity. Through such institutions, as the Sprague Electric Company, more and more people come to share in the rewards of a truly creative, private-enterprise society."

Mr. Sprague held a press conference in the Research Center library on the day of the dedication. Mr. Ernest L. Ward, President; Dr. Wilbur A. Lazier, Senior Vice President, Engineering; Mr. Frederick R. Lack; Dr. John L. Sprague, Senior Vice President and Co-Director of Engineering; and Dr. Frederick M. Fowkes, Director of Research were also present at the conference.

In his opening comments, Mr. Sprague described the laboratory as the "finest research facility in the component industry." He said it would delve into some "highly sophisticated" areas of solid state physics and thin film electronics. Built on a "flexible, modular basis," providing the "greatest ratio of useful laboratory space I've ever seen in a building of this sort," he said. "Its real beauty lies in the ease with which the present structure could be expanded to triple its present size."

In response to a question from reporters, Mr. Sprague expressed a reluctance to get deeply involved in government research, and noted that the Company now had no government research contracts. However, he added that he had been convinced of the desirability of seeking "some" government contracts in the areas of basic or pure research.

U. S. Representative Silvio O. Conte of Pittsfield called the Research Center "a great stride for all of Northern Berkshire." The area's economy, he said, "has a great stake in the advances brought about by the future which this building houses."

Also on the speaking program were Mayor Francis C. Florini who extended the official greetings of the City of North Adams; the Right Reverend Monsignor John P. Donohue and the Rev. Dr. Virgil V. Brallier.

## THE NEWS IN PICTURES . . .



The Management Club's entry in the Fall Foliage Parade was a replica of 'The Little Choo-Choo'. Henry Knight was at the throttle and Jim Nicol helped direct the train as it wound its way down Main Street. Management Club members accompanied the train and threw handfuls of candy to the children along the parade route.



Chester H. Lanoue (right) of Factory Engineering receives his International Correspondence School diploma from Earl J. Burke, Department Head. Mr. Lanoue completed a course in "Selected Units from Mechanical Engineering" to earn his diploma.



To celebrate the recent remodeling of the Brown Street Cafeteria free coffee and doughnuts were served to employees. Here (left to right) Elaine King, Sandra Pugliese and Margaret Petravice stop by to inspect the new area. Shown in the background are: George Whipple, Cafeteria Manager and Jean Steuer. The Beaver Street Cafeteria was also remodeled recently.



Exchange students from Wheaton, Illinois recently toured the new Research Center. Here John Schimmel III, Manager of Scientific Staff Relations, (far right) explains the use of the Screen Room to the group.

Sports —

SOFTBALL

GOLF

BOWLING

By LOU ZITER



Jim Gaffney (2nd from right), well known basketball and softball referee, presented an unusual golf program at the 1st Annual Sport's Night Banquet held on October 16. Discussing golf tips with Mr. Gaffney are: (left to right) Bob McDonough, Golf League secretary; Francis Wilson, Employee Services Manager, Eastern Area; and Ray Wellspeak, President of the Softball League.



The Wingfoot team was crowned champion of the Sprague Golf League at the combined Sports Banquet held recently at Taconic Park Restaurant. With the team captain, Milt Hattat, holding the championship plaque, the team members are: (left to right) Dick Rosen, Phillip Thompson, John Sprague, Ray Lamoureux, Jim Casey and Robert Diodati. Absent when the picture was taken were: Ralph Fressola and Ray Luscier.

### Sports Quiz . . .

Test your sports knowledge and grade yourself as follows: 0 - 2 poor; 3 - 4 fair; 5 - 7 good; 8 - 10 very good. Questions 2 and 4 are valued at 2 points, all others one point each.

1. What professional boxer holds the record for the most consecutive fights without a loss?
2. What are Joe L. Louis' and Jersey Joe Walcott's real names?
3. Which of the following former big league stars was never a playing-manager?
  - a. Ty Cobb
  - b. Tris Speaker
  - c. Luke Appling
4. Who was the first of the big "bonus babies" in baseball and what team did he sign with?
5. Who was the only major

leaguer ever to lead his league with an ERA under 1.00?

6. I was in more world championship bouts than any other professional fighter. Who am I?
7. Probably the greatest of women bowlers, she had a 201 average for a ten year span. Who is she?
8. Who was the shortest heavy-weight champion?

#### Sport's Quiz Answers

1. Hal Bogwell
2. a. Joe L. Barrow
- b. Arnold Raymond Cream
3. (c.) Luke Appling
4. Dick Wakefield; Detroit Tigers
5. Fred Schupp
6. George Dixon
7. Floretta McCutcheon
8. Tommy Burns

### 1ST ANNUAL SPORTS NIGHT HELD OCT. 16

The first annual Sports Night program was held on October 16 at the Taconic Park Restaurant in Williamstown with members of the Sprague golf and softball leagues attending as guests of the Company. An interesting program was enjoyed with the highlight of the affair being the presentation of the winning and runner-up trophies for each league.

Heading the speaking program was golf pro and NBA official Jim Gaffney. He spoke briefly on all sports but emphasized golf and gave an excellent demonstration of the fundamentals of the game.

Trophies were awarded by Dr. John Sprague to the softball champs, and by David Peck to the champion golfers. Recipients were the Combine team in softball and the Wingfoot team in golf.

Kenneth Brown served as master of ceremonies for the evening.

### Down The Fairway

by Bob McDonough

It is a very sad time of the year - for the golfers that is. The cold, foggy, damp air moistens the greens texture to such an extent that it resembles an icy fairyland, and also brings the Sprague Golf League to a dramatic end.

With the tournament playoff ended, the banquet finished, and the prizes distributed to the worthy recipients, I would like to reminisce about the past season and recall some of the outstanding matches and individual golfers who exceeded themselves at one time or another. Ray Lamoureux can look back and remember that night he scored a terrific gross of 40. Ray at the time had a handicap of 13 which would leave him a net score of 27, the lowest net of the season for any one golfer in the league.

John Sprague reached his peak at the tournament playoffs, displaying a rhythmic swing, complete confidence and a wealth of skill, to become the standout player for this occasion. The complete collapse of the Oakmont nine when they really needed the points was a heartbreaker. Dick Vanasse showed tremendous ability under pressure in winning big matches and also the MVP award in the league.

Arch LoPresto and Jim O'Sullivan were the unbeatable twosome for the league percentage wise. I could fill a whole page, if time allowed, about the individual abilities of the majority of the league.

I would like to welcome Cal Walker, the new secretary for the league, and extend to him all the luck in the world for the 1963 season.

### Harry Modica

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Rock of Ages Capacitors, Inc. has been a sub-contractor for Sprague Electric since early 1945. Mr. Robert S. Gillette, President of Rock of Ages Corporation, announced in August that the Capacitor Plant would shortly start construction of a new 20,000 square foot plant. They currently employ some 400 persons.

### C. L. Harvey

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artillery, where he received the Bronze Star with two oak leaf clusters.

Mr. Harvey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Harvey of Washington, D. C. He is married to the former Betty Anne Robinson of Sewickly, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey and their two children expect to make their home in Williamstown.

### LEAGUE STATISTICS

Men's Ten Pin	Men's Independent	Sprague Prod.	Women's Ten Pin
LEADERS			
QAR Drys	Electric Shop	Skybolts	Nicolettes
HIGH IND. TRIPLE			
P. Davis (566)	E. Williams (653)	J. Cummings (606)	D. Harvey (538)
HIGH INDIVIDUAL SINGLE			
J. Flaherty (219)	E. Williams (255)	J. Cummings (247)	J. Pollock (213)
HIGH TEAM TRIPLE			
Tantalum (2595)	Shipping (2470)	Skybolts (2604)	Spra. Keys (2282)
HIGH TEAM SINGLE			
Tantalum (905)	Control Lab (875)	Skybolts (957)	R. & E. (804)

### BOWLING

The Sprague Ten Pin bowling leagues are in the middle of their first half schedules and some interesting matches have paved the way so far.

Highlights have been plentiful, but topping the list was that once in a lifetime spare, the untouchable 7-10, made by Dick Goetzens of the Shipping team in the fast Independent League.

Other highlights of keen interest were the high single of 255 and triple 653 scored by E. Williams, also in the Independent League, plus the 957 team single by the Skybolts of the Sprague Products League.

Phyllis Schmidt tops all women bowlers with a fine 164 average. John Cummings, Buzz Johndrow and George Forgea top all men bowlers with a good 174 average.

### You'd Better Believe It!

Item: For centuries men dreamed of flying, but experts were skeptical. The French astronomer, Joseph Lelande, demonstrated that flight was a scientific impossibility.

Item: After George Stephenson's locomotives reached the speed of 30 miles an hour, the Munich College of Physicians issued a warning against railway travel. In England, it was predicted that traveling at 30 miles an hour would cause insanity.

Item: When Samuel Clegg proposed to light streets of a London borough with gas, the borough council vetoed his plan. Expert scientific opinion maintained that a filled "gasometer" was hazardous - that lighting a jet might cause all the gas in the tank to explode, reducing the city to ruins.

### A Touch of Humor

A bridegroom is a man who is amazed at the outcome of what he thought was a harmless little flirtation.

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A gentleman farmer is one who tips his hat every time he passes a likely looking tomato.

### Bonnie Bryce, Former LOG Girl of Month, Chosen Festival Queen

Bonnie Bryce, the LOG's February Girl of the Month, was selected as Queen of the North Adams Fall Foliage Festival held earlier this month. Bonnie, a lovely redhead, was crowned Queen at the Festival Fashion Show held in the auditorium of Drury High School. Five area young ladies were in the final competition.

Bonnie, looking very lovely in a gold floor length evening gown, sang "Moon River". She was sponsored in the contest by the Center Sporting Goods Store. A 1959 graduate of Drury High School, Bonnie works in the Material Control Department at Brown Street. She makes her home with her parents on River Road, Clarksburg. Her mother, Mrs. Helen Bryce, is employed as a check inspector at Beaver Street.

As Queen, Bonnie reigned over the Fall Foliage Ball held at the North Adams Amory on Saturday evening, and over the parade on Sunday afternoon. She also received gifts valued at \$300.

Bonnie was escorted to the Ball by her fiance, Robert Costine of Stamford, Vermont. He is a student at the University of Vermont.



A proud mother hugs her daughter who has just been selected Queen! Helen Bryce, of Beaver Street Check Inspection, was one of the happiest people in the crowded Drury auditorium when her daughter, Bonnie, was crowned Queen of the Fall Foliage Festival.

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